

OFFICE OF
THE UNITED STATES ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMPANY,
EQUITABLE BUILDING,
120 BROADWAY, cor. Cedar Street,

P. O. Box 1849.

New York, July 23, 1881. 188

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your valued favor of the 21st inst. and note your objections to purchasing an engine for the purpose of lighting the Mint by electricity.

In reply I beg to state that this company is so well satisfied that it can carry out successfully the contract made with the Mint, that it has no objections to assuming the responsibility of purchasing the engine.

It is proper, however, that we should be protected against the expense of putting in foundations, making steam connections and other incidental charges to be incurred in trying the experiment, inasmuch as if successful the benefit will inure to you; if by any possibility the experiment should fail it is but proper that you should bear a portion of the cost of making.

If this be satisfactory to you, be kind enough to authorize me to purchase the engine for your account subject to the statement as above.

Very Respectfully Yours,

A. Lowden Snowden, Esq.

U. S. Mint, Phila., Pa.

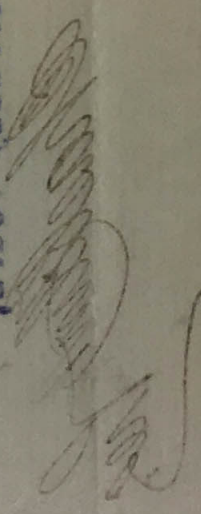
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[Abstract:] Will furnish Engine, upon conditions named.

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